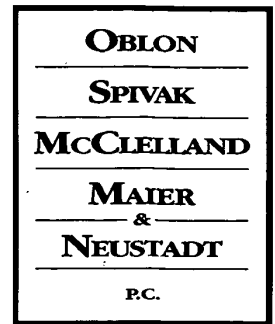




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Applicants: Shigeru KAWAHARA, et al.
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Notice of Appeal, Response and Request for Reconsideration,
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Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 (Shigeru KAWAHARA, unexecuted, 26 pp.), Exhibits A-D

Our check in the amount of \$1250.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated September 26, 2002.

The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 was filed for _____ months.
- ☐ A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time for filing the Notice of Appeal is attached.

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Is Enclosed
- ☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 15-0030 (an additional copy of this notice is enclosed herewith).
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